

## Our Mission:

To become like Jesus and reveal Him through service.

### OUR PASTORS



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Discover Bible School

Health Ministry

Homeless Ministry

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#### Sabbath, January 18, 2025

Broadcasting: Steven Combs

Deacons: Team 3

Elder in Charge: Bob Stewart

Greeters: Don & Edna Cornforth

Safety Team: Alpha

Speaker: Pastor Bezerra

**Worship Services** are broadcast and live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook. Smile! You may be photographed, videoed, and broadcast.

**Audio Receivers** are available in the Deacon's room for the hearing impaired.

**Quote:** The banner of truth and religious liberty held aloft by the founders of the gospel church and by God's witnesses during the centuries that have passed since then, has, in this last conflict, been committed to our hands. The responsibility for this great gift rests with those whom God has blessed with a knowledge of His Word. We are to receive this Word as a supreme authority. We are to recognize human government as an ordinance of divine appointment, and teach obedience to it as a sacred duty, within its legitimate sphere. But when its claims conflict with the claims of God, we must obey God rather than men. God's word must be recognized as above all human legislation. A "Thus saith the Lord" is not to be set aside for a "Thus saith the church" or a "Thus saith the state." The crown of Christ is to be lifted above the diadems of earthly potentates.

The Acts of the Apostles, 68, 69. Christian Service 161.3

#### HILLCREST FINANCIAL REPORT, JANUARY 11

|              |                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------|
| \$25,000.00  | Amount Needed Monthly          |
| \$1,657.00   | Received MTD in January 2025   |
| \$300,000.00 | Total needed for 2025          |
| \$11,538.00  | Budget YTD through 1/11/2025   |
| \$1,657.00   | Received YTD through 1/10/2025 |

#### 2024 TITHES & OFFERING SUMMARY

|              |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| \$996,428.74 | Tithes                 |
| \$321,463.72 | Combined Church Budget |
| \$27,675.70  | Building Fund Appeal   |

# Bakersfield Hillcrest Seventh-day Adventist Church

*Happy Sabbath!*

**Here is a call for the endurance of the saints,  
those who keep the commandments of God  
and their faith in Jesus.**

**Revelation 14:12 ESV**

**January 11, 2025**





## Sabbath School 9:30-10:30 a.m.

### Children's Classes

- Beginners-Birth to 3 years  
(Parents, please stay with your child in the Beginner classroom.)
- Kindergarten-4 years to 1st grade
  - Primary-grades 2 to 4
- Junior/Earliteen-grades 5 to 8

### Youth Class

- Youth/Collegiate-High School age +

### Adult Classes

This week's lesson: "*Covenantal Love*",  
John 14:23

- Study with John Buxton
- Study with Ruth Holton
- Study with Calvin Kubo,  
Zoom is available.

(To join please connect with Rick Heiss.)

## Announcements

### Today—

- Religious Liberty Sabbath. Our guest speaker is Alan J. Reinach Esq., director of Church-Sate Council for the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
- Come to the Fellowship Hall after church service and enjoy good food and fellowship.
- Following potluck, Elder Reinach will share another message at 2:00 p.m.

### **Thank you Steve Combs and Justin Grier for fixing our audio system!**

**January 12** - A memorial service will be held in our Chapel at 11:00 a.m. for Magdalena Gonzalez, mother of Grace Gonzalez. Please keep Grace's family in your prayers.

**Hillcrest Mission to Sri Lanka** - If you would like to support and/or attend this mission to Sri Lanka, please contact Heather in the church office.

**Video Ministry** - Do you have computer skills? Our video ministry leader, Wilda Ferch, is ready to train you on the

computer which runs our Sanctuary video screens. Volunteers will become a part of the team and share a rotating Sabbath schedule. Contact Wilda at 717-2525.

**January 16** - Adventist Community Services Free Food Market from 12:15—2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Free food is distributed to anyone in need.

**January 17 & 18** - Youth Revival! "Come, enjoy, and be edified by messages from Pastor Eddy Perez!" All revival meetings with Pastor Eddy will be held in the Hillcrest Chapel; Friday vespers at 6:00 p.m., Sabbath school at 9:30, youth revival church service at 10:30, and Sabbath afternoon revival meeting at 3:30. Gym night at BAA. Pastor Bezerra will preach for church service in the Sanctuary on the 18th.

**January 26** - Health Ministries cooking class will be held in the Fellowship Hall on January 26 from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. This is a free class with live demonstrations and food tasting!

## Sabbath Worship 10:45 a.m.

*Text your prayer requests to 661-375-7224.*

### We Gather For Worship

|                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Prelude              | Heidi Mensink   |
| Welcome & Invocation | Edwin Cartagena |
| Children's Story     | Maggie Gonzales |

### We Bring Our Gifts

|                  |                   |               |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Tithe & Offering | Religious Liberty | Raul Balcazar |
| Offertory        |                   | Praise Team   |
| Songs of Praise  |                   | All           |

### We Hear The Word Proclaimed

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Garden of Prayer     | Tiffani Sommerville                            |
| Prayer Response      | Praise Team                                    |
| Special Music        | Praise Team                                    |
| Scripture Meditation | Ophelia Miranda                                |
| Sermon Song          | Praise Team                                    |
| Spoken Word          | Alan J. Reinach Esq.                           |
|                      | <i>Time For The<br/>Second Angel's Message</i> |
| Song of Consecration | All  |
| Final Prayer         | Alan J. Reinach Esq.                           |

*Please silence all electronic devices during worship service.*

*We appreciate you!*

Audio: Mike Carter  
Broadcasting: Steven Combs  
Deacons: Team 2  
Elder in Charge: Edwin Cartagena  
Greeters: Beatrice Borrego & Marly Cartagena  
Piano: Heidi Mensink

Praise Team Leader: Tiffani Sommerville  
Praise Team: Nicolli Bosque, Vanessa Garcia, Kim Rouhotas, and Tiffani Sommerville  
Safety Team: Charlie  
Video: Justin Grier